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# Beyond Cyclone Idai

**(Dedicated to its victims)**

My prayers go out to the people of Malawi, Zimbabwe and Mozambique  
in a time of calamity God provides the healing that you seek,  
words are not enough, Africa, let our actions speak  
in the true spirit of Ubuntu; together we are strong when one of us is weak.

A trail of death and destruction lingers on after Cyclone Idai,  
waterlogged memories of submerged villages and floating bodies,  
all exposed to the eye,  
the sky was falling in on itself,

I am asking why, why did so many souls had to perish and die?

Idai washed away everything in its path without a warning,  
many held on throughout the night, but lost grip in the morning,  
sometimes profound peace is found in the depths of our mourning.

Out of these troubled waters up you shall rise,  
every tragedy gives birth to blessings in disguise,  
as dark clouds disappear, a rainbow fills out the skies.

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Namibia's rising Unemployment and Housing crisis doesn't seem to stop  
just walk through Oshikango where even the Chinese have closed shop,  
Climate change induced droughts left farmers without life stock or crop  
many graduates languish without a job,  
So Amupanda irritates the government whenever he leads an angry marching Mob.  
The Anti Corruption Commission has no cure; corruption is a cancer spreading down from the top  
a house divided can't effectively be run by President Hage Geingob,  
some of his big bellied politicians line their pockets with money from the taxpayers they rob,  
Kleptomania is a disease; they should ask Zimbabwe's disposed Uncle Bob.

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Air Namibia, again, almost fell out of the skies  
Our national airline is a failure in disguise  
another government bail out comes at an horrendous price,  
privately owned West Air truly deserves a slice.  
Economic recession forces incompetent parastatals down to their knees  
Will they ever learn? government's money doesn't grow on trees,  
when you are insolvent, sell your office building like the RCC.

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# Namibia

A big challenge is the complex question of land reform  
white minorities own vast hectares of land and this is creating a storm,  
It's buzzing; beware when poor people start to storm  
Social injustice and land redistribution is what government has to transform  
The main focus should be to create an agricultural sector that knows how to perform.  
Namas and Hereros continue to demand reparation for their ancestors genocide  
Germany insists that they have heard their plight  
They say they will continue to financially aid Namibia from their side,  
Just don't expect Billions overnight.

Yes Namibia I continue to tell you currently where we are at  
Teenage pregnancies are now common like ShopRite bread,  
Too many girl children are denied the Education they should've had  
no young girl must miss school because they can't afford a sanitary pad,  
Let government stop taxing menstrual products, so the cycle can turn good from bad.

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